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RE: **STATUS REQUEST --**

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Filed: January 2, 2002, For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DETECTING AND CONTROLLING ORIENTATION OF ARTICLES FOR
FURTHER PROCESSING (Our File: 18406.004)

Sir:

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Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests information regarding the status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Mr. Jeffrey W. Parker (w/o enclosures)

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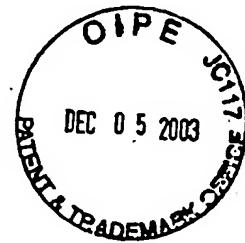


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